

Message of the Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

His Excellency, the Governor of North Carolina, in a message to the General Assembly, delivered at Raleigh, N. C., December 17, 1887.

GENERAL: It is my duty to report to you the condition of the State at the close of the year 1887. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your message of the 10th inst., and to respond to it as far as it relates to the subjects mentioned therein.

The people of the State have demonstrated their attachment to the Union and their confidence in the Government. They have shown their willingness to support the Government in its efforts to maintain the Union and to preserve the peace and order of the country.

The year 1887 has been a year of unusual prosperity. The crops have been abundant, and the business of the State has been unusually active. The people have shown their willingness to support the Government in its efforts to maintain the Union and to preserve the peace and order of the country.

We have great cause to be thankful to Almighty God for the peaceful passage which He is bestowing upon us, and we can confidently look forward, under His protection and guidance, for a continuation of prosperity and happiness which we have not heretofore enjoyed.

The State debt and finances will doubtless receive the thoughtful and careful consideration of the General Assembly. The amount of the State debt at the 1st of October, 1887, was thirteen million two hundred and nine thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars (\$13,209,645).

The amount of interest which has matured October 1st, 1887, and been paid in cash is one hundred and twenty thousand one hundred and one dollar (\$121,011). The interest maturing at subsequent dates during the present fiscal year is as follows: January 1st, 1888, three hundred and eight thousand one hundred and ninety-seven dollars (\$3,817,974).

The balance remaining in the hands of the Public Treasurer October 1st, 1887, was one hundred and fifty thousand three hundred and eighty-four cents (\$150,384.84). The amount from taxes, including payments in October, is two hundred and twenty-six thousand seven hundred and six dollars sixty-two cents (\$226,706.42).

The stocks and bonds held by the State in corporations, and interest due from said corporations, is one million five hundred and thirty thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,531,500). Bonds, four million two hundred and thirty-four thousand dollars (\$4,234,000). Interest, four hundred and seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$472,500).

The report of the Public Treasurer will contain full details of the public debt, with recommendations as to the best means for providing for interest. I have full confidence in that officer, and respectfully commend his statements and views to the consideration of the General Assembly.

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The attention of the General Assembly is respectfully invited to the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, herewith transmitted. That officer is diligently engaged in his duties, and is making every effort to improve the system of education in this State.

The University of the State is properly connected with the free public schools. Both should be fostered. Education in agriculture, mechanics, mining, engineering, and in all the useful arts and sciences, should be encouraged. Normal instruction should be provided for all those who may have well educated teachers of their own for our public schools.

Nearly all the State school funds, the proceeds for the most part of the funds deposited with this State by the general government in 1836, have been lost. It is necessary to show how it was lost, or to place upon the advantages thus snatched from us. Regrets are vain for what is lost. Let us improve the present, and address ourselves to the future. We must have free public schools for all the children of the State at what ever cost. This is a duty which can neither be postponed nor evaded.

The people of the State are anxious that immigrants and worthy homeseekers should come hither and settle among us. It is a primary question with all such immigrants whether in the communities or States in which they are invited to settle, there are facilities for educating their children. If we do not put in operation as good public schools as there are in other portions of the country, we cannot hope to attract to the State any considerable number of immigrants.

that the General Assembly during the present session provide for a general and uniform system of public schools. The schools for the white and colored children should be separate, but in no way inferior to each other.

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PRICES CURRENT.

Hubbs & Brother, Wholesale Dealers in Groceries and Provisions, Dry Goods, Wines, Liquors, Cigars, &c., Middle Street, New-Berne, N. C.

Table of prices for various commodities including Coffee, Tea, Sugar, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

Table of prices for various commodities including Flour, Rice, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

Table of prices for various commodities including Oil, Soap, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

Table of prices for various commodities including Butter, Eggs, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

Table of prices for various commodities including Lard, Tallow, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

Table of prices for various commodities including Beans, Peas, and other goods. Columns include item names and prices.

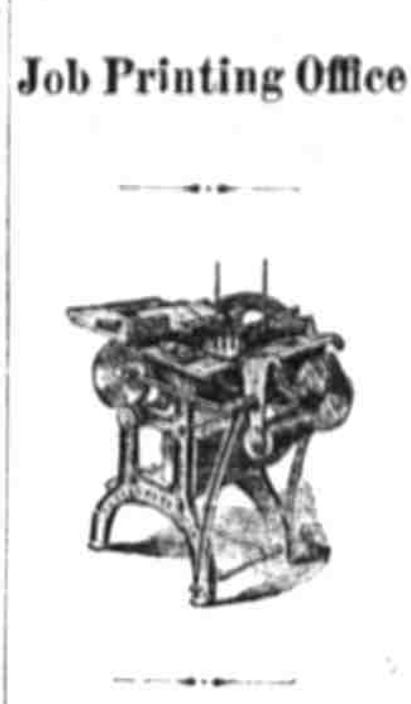
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